

A1: Concerns about children's safety and welfare - Childminders

What do I need to know?

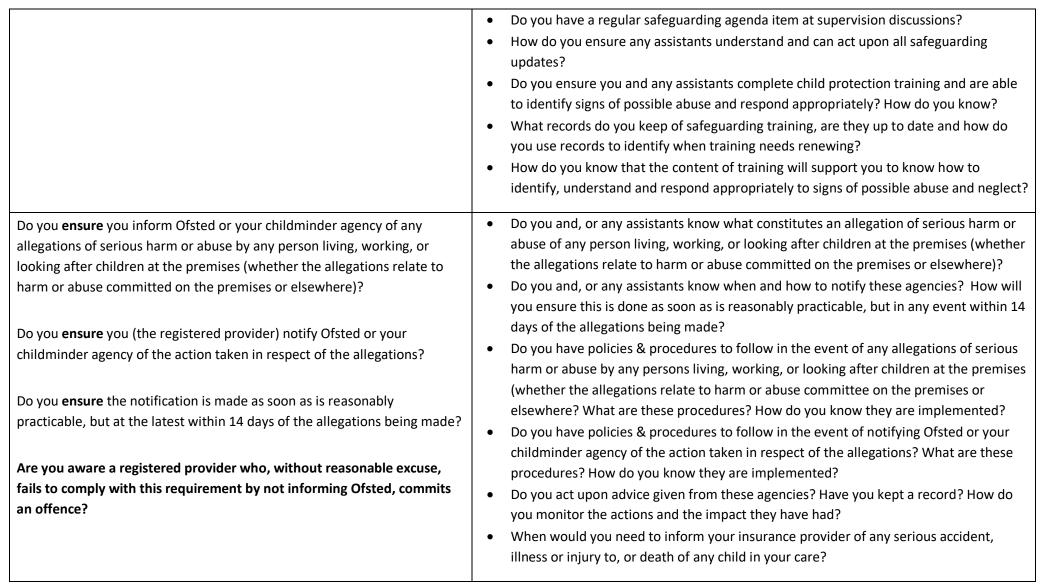
- Legal Framework
 - The Children Act 1989
 - Children Act 2004
 - Protection of Children Act 1978
 - Data Protection Act 1998
 - <u>Children Act 2004 Explanatory Notes</u>
 - Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006
 - Sexual Offences Act 2003
 - Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000 (legislation.gov.uk)
 - Equality Act 2010 (legislation.gov.uk)
- EYFS statutory framework for childminders (publishing.service.gov.uk) page 16, paragraph 3.8 3.9.
- See model Child Protection Policies on SchoolsNet and links below for contact details and training opportunities.

Safeguarding policies and procedures	Things to consider and discuss:
(pages 9-10 of audit)	
If you have concerns about children's safety or welfare, do you ensure you immediately notify your local authority children's social care team, in line with local reporting procedures, and, in emergencies, the police?	 Do you train all, any assistants to understand your safeguarding policy and procedures including the local safeguarding partnership procedures, and ensure that everyone has up to date knowledge of safeguarding issues? Do you know the processes you must follow if you have concerns about a child's safety or welfare? Do you have up to date contact information for safeguarding partnerships and agencies?



	Have you considered that you may need a different telephone number for a child who resides within in a different local authority?
Do you take into account the government's statutory guidance Working together to safeguard children - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) and 'Prevent duty guidance for England and Wales'?	 Have you read the latest version of the statutory guidance and know where to find this information? Do you know what you would be expected to do to support and protect a child within this document?
Have you referred to the government's statutory guidance: Keeping children safe in education - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)?	 How do you know that you and, or any assistants have referred to and where statutory implement the government's statutory guidance 'Keeping children safe in education'? Do they know how to access this document? Does your policy adequately enable you to notify agencies with statutory responsibilities without delay if they have concerns about a child's safety or welfare, i.e. social care services and, in an emergency, the police? How do you or any assistants know how to report or make a referral to about: Police Starting Point Local Safeguarding Designated Officer (LADO) Early Help Services & assessment Children's Social Care Prevent Channel Female Genital Mutilation Online safety concerns National Referral Mechanism How do you ensure referral processes and contacts are easily accessible? How do you disseminate any updates to any assistants?







Useful links and further help:

Derby and Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Partnership

Inspecting safeguarding in early years, education and skills settings

Early years inspection handbook

Report a serious childcare incident

Information sharing advice for safeguarding practitioners

Home (saferrecruitmentconsortium.org) - (Guidance for safer working practice for those working with children and young people in education settings)

Disqualification Under the Childcare Act

Counter-terrorism strategy (CONTEST) 2018

Channel and Prevent Multi-Agency Panel (PMAP) guidance

National Referral Mechanism Guidance

Information sharing advice for safeguarding practitioners

Data protection

ICO – Information Commissioners Office

NSPCC – National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

Derbyshire County Council - Support for families and early help

Prevent referrals (saferderbyshire.gov.uk)

Derby & Derbyshire - Emotional Health & Wellbeing

Stronger Families Safer Children

Think Family

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Child or adult at risk of immediate harm and in need of protection: Derbyshire Police – 999/ Starting Point – 01629 533190

Worried about a child: Derbyshire Police - 101/ Starting Point Consultation & Advice Service for Professionals - 01629 535353/ Starting Point Referral Form/

Local Safeguarding Designated Officer - 01629 533190/ Derby and Derbyshire LADO Referral Form

Education Data Hub/Data Protection: Email - educationdatahub@derbyshire.gov.uk



DBS The East Midlands Regional Outreach Officer: Email DBSRegionaloutreach@dbs.gov.uk/Tel: 01325 953 562 / 07867 153 500

TRAINING

DSL training: <u>Derbyshire Early Years Service - Eventbrite</u> or Email: <u>CS.EYS@derbyshire.gov.uk</u>

Other training: Training (ddscp.org.uk)

MODEL POLICIES for the PVI sector

<u>Safeguarding (derbyshire.gov.uk)</u> <u>Derbyshire SchoolsNet - Early Years Quality Team</u>